CIVIL AIR PATROL

CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Study government & explore public service careers in Washington, DC, 23 February - 1 March 2008



If you're interested in politics and careers in public service, CAP's Civic Leadership Academy, an intensive 1-week program in Washington, DC, is for you.

CLA cadets receive behind-the-scenes tours and briefings at the Capitol, Supreme Court, State Department, Pentagon, CIA, and more. They interact with national leaders while learning about the democratic process. The week culminates with CAP's Legislative Day, when cadets meet with their elected representatives on Capitol Hill.

This is not your average field trip to Washington. CLA is an academically-focused activity that includes seminars, readings, and group projects.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Must have earned the Mitchell Award by 1 October 2007
- 2 Must be at least 16 years old by 23 February 2008

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1 By 1 October, email a completed CAPF 31, endorsed by your wing commander, to HQ CAP at the address below. (Commanders' endorsements may be in the form of an email.)
- 2 Include a 1-page resume of your achievements in cadet programs, aerospace education, emergency services, and community activities.
- 3 Include a typed 250-350 word essay on one of the following topics:
- a. Identify two ways to participate in the political process, other than by voting. Describe why each of those activities is worthwhile.
- b. Explain why trust in government has declined in recent decades. Describe what effect, if any, that decline has had on civic life.
- 4 Include a recent photo (jpeg) of yourself wearing the AF-style blues uniform or equivalent corporate uniform.
- 5 Include a 1-page letter of recommendation from a teacher.

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

The National Association of Secondary School
Principals has placed the CAP Civic Leadership
Academy on the NASSP
National Advisory List of
Contests & Activities for 2007-08.

SENIOR STAFF

A small number of adults are needed to support the cadets. To apply for staff, email your resume to the address below.

SELECTION PROCESS

Each region selects three cadets to participate. Watch for the primaries and alternates to be announced in early December.

ACTIVITY FEE

Tuition is \$275, which covers meals, lodging, and activities. A \$100 deposit is due on 2 Jan, with the balance due on 1 Feb.

EMAIL APPLICATIONS TO: Joe Curry, jcurry@cap.gov

APPLY BY OCTOBER 1ST

For more information, see cap.gov/civics

